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FOR: Treatment of Proliferative Diseases with Epothilone Derivatives and Radiation

**Commissioner for Patents
PO Box 1450
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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

The Final Office Action of April 22, 2010 has a shortened statutory time set to expire on July 22, 2010. A two-month extension is hereby requested pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136(a).

Please charge Deposit Account No. 19-0134 in the name of Novartis in the amount of \$490 for payment of the extension fee. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 CFR §1.17 which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Account No. 19-0134 in the name of Novartis.

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